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THE SATELLITE TELEVISION EXTENSION AND LOCALISM ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reauthorization of, “The Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act”, after receiving testimony from Alison A. Minea, DISH Network L.L.C., and John Bergmayer, Public Knowledge, both of Washington, D.C.; Marci Burdick, Schurz Communications, Inc., Mishawaka, Indiana, on behalf of the National Association of Broadcasters; and Ellen Stutzman, Writers Guild of America, West, Inc., Los Angeles, California.

MEDICARE FRAUD

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine preventing Medicare fraud, focusing on the best way to protect seniors and taxpayers, after receiving testimony from Brian Martens, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Office of Inspector General, and Shantanu Agrawal, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Program Integrity, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Bettie Hughes, The Senior Alliance, Wayne, Michigan; Louis Saccoccio, National Health Care Anti-Fraud Association, Washington, D.C.; and Patricia A. Gresko, Romeo, Michigan.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 4298–4314; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 525 were introduced. **Pages H2694–95**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2696–97**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2575, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 30-hour threshold for classification as a full-time employee for purposes of the employer mandate in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and replace it with 40 hours, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–386);

H. Con. Res. 88, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby (H. Rept. 113–387); and

H. Con. Res. 92, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition (H. Rept. 113–388). **Page H2694**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Black to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2647**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:16 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H2655**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Jonathan Weaver, Greater Mt. Nebo AME Church, Bowie, Maryland. **Page H2655**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H2655, H2683**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:44 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H2668**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of our brave men and women in uniform who have given their lives in the service of our country in Iraq and Afghanistan, their families, and all who serve in our armed forces and their families. **Page H2670**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on March 24th:

Corporal Justin D. Ross Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 1228, amended, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 Packerland Drive in Green Bay, Wisconsin, as the “Corporal Justin D. Ross Post Office Building”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 418 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 144. **Pages H2670–71**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 South 9th Street in De Pere, Wisconsin, as the ‘Corporal Justin D. Ross Post Office Building’.”. **Page H2671**

Ensuring Public Involvement in the Creation of National Monuments Act: The House passed H.R. 1459, to ensure that the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 applies to the declaration of national monuments, by a recorded vote of 222 yeas to 201 noes, Roll No. 147. **Pages H2671–83**

Rejected the Rahall motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 193 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 146. **Pages H2681–82**
Agreed to:

Bishop (UT) manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 113–385) that clarifies process for monument designations of 5,000 acres or less which allows temporary designation if imminent threat to antiquity and permanent designation if President follows NEPA review process or Congress enacts law. Also clarifies that the President is to use existing resources for monument designation process and

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Barber amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 113–385) that requires the bill's feasibility study to include an assessment of the monument declaration's benefits, including jobs and tourism dollars associated with managing a monument in perpetuity.

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Rejected:

Tsongas amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 113–385) that sought to preserve the ability of the President to declare as national monuments those that provide for the "protection or conservation of historic or cultural resources related to American military history," regardless of their size (by a recorded vote of 197 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 145).

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H. Res. 524, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 190 noes, Roll No. 143, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 142.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, March 27th.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H2655.

Discharge Petition: Representative Garcia presented to the clerk a motion to discharge the Committees on the Judiciary, Foreign Affairs, Homeland Security, Ways and Means, Armed Services, Natural Resources, Agriculture, Education and the Workforce, Energy and Commerce, Oversight and Government Reform, the Budget, Science, Space, and Technology, Financial Services, and Transportation and Infrastructure from the consideration of H.R. 15, to provide for comprehensive immigration reform and for other purposes (Discharge Petition No. 9).

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings

of today and appear on pages H2669, H2669–70, H2670–71, H2680, H2681–82, and H2682–83. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT AND RELATED LITIGATION ON NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM MANAGEMENT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry held a hearing to Review the impacts of Endangered Species Act and related litigation on National Forest System management. Testimony was heard from Jim Peña, Associate Deputy Chief, Forest Service; Eileen Larence, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S POST 9/11 REFORM EFFORTS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Federal Bureau of Investigation's Post 9/11 Reform Efforts FY 2015 Budget and Oversight. Testimony was heard from James B. Comey, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and public witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND ECONOMICS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies held a hearing on USDA Research, Education and Economic FY 2015 Budget. Testimony was heard from Catherine E. Woteki, Under Secretary, USDA Research, Education and Economics; Chavonda Jacobs-Young, Administrator, USDA Agriculture Research Service; Sonny Ramaswamy, Director, USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture; Mary Bohman, Administrator, USDA Economic Research Service; Cynthia Clark, Administrator, USDA National Agriculture Statistics Service; and Donald K. Bice, USDA Associate Budget Director.

APPROPRIATIONS—AIR FORCE BUDGET FY 2015

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Air Force Budget FY 2015. Testimony was heard from Deborah Lee James, Secretary, United States Air Force; and General Mark A. Welsh III, Chief of Staff, United States Air Force.